

Draft Minutes

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Chair**

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**BOARD OF PHARMACY
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and that an audio file of the meeting will be posted to the board's website.

I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Call to Order - The meeting was called to order by Board Chair, Mr. Montgomery, at 11:00 a.m. ET.

Those present during the meeting included the following:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Richard Montgomery, BPharm, MBA, Chair
Jonathan Hickman, PharmD, Vice – Chair
David Wright, BPharm
Jeffrey J. Mesaros, PharmD, JD, Chair
Mark Mikhael, PharmD
Jeenu Philip, BPharm

ABSENT MEMBERS:

Blanca R. Rivera, PharmD, MBA
Gavin Meshad, Consumer Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Jennifer Wenhold, Bureau Chief
Jessica Sapp, Executive Director
Traci Zeh, Program Administrator

BOARD COUNSEL:

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II. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. 2020 Legislative Bills Filed for Chapter 465

Ms. Sapp provided the Board the legislative updates.

HB 177 Prescription Drug Donation Repository Program

This bill has been enrolled and it establishes a Prescription Drug Donation Repository Program within the Department of Health (DOH) to authorize and facilitate the donation and distribution of prescription drugs and supplies to eligible patients through a system of localized repositories

throughout the state of Florida.

The Bureau of Public Health Pharmacy will be implementing this bill and the rule-making authority lies with the DOH. However, we will work on a communication piece for our licensees.

SB 708 Automated Pharmacy Systems

This bill has been retained on the special-order calendar but has not yet been taken up. It allows community pharmacies to use automated pharmacy systems under certain circumstances and requirements. This will require the Board to enter rulemaking if passed.

HB 389 Practice of Pharmacy

This bill was formally titled the Test and Treat for influenza and streptococcus but is now titled the Practice of Pharmacy. This was enrolled and signed into law with an effective date of July 1, 2020. This adds to the definition of the practice of pharmacy the ability to initiate, modify, discontinue drug therapy under a collaborative practice agreement with a physician, for patients with chronic illnesses. It also allows a pharmacist to test for and treat certain nonchronic health conditions.

The bill requires additional education and training requirements that must be satisfied prior to performing these functions and it required the Board of Pharmacy to work in consultation with the Board of Medicine and the Board of Osteopathic Medication to adopt rules to implement this bill.

HB 559 Institutional Formularies Established by Nursing Home Facilities

This bill was enrolled and signed into law with an effective date of July 1, 2020. This establishes the use of institutional formularies by nursing home facilities and allows a pharmacist to therapeutically substitute medicinal drugs in accordance with the institutional formulary. It provides for an opt-out provision for prescribing practitioners who do not wish to adhere to the institutional formulary of the nursing home.

This bill creates s. 400.143, which is the Agency for Healthcare Administration, who is the regulatory body for nursing homes. The Department we will work on an implementation plan for this bill and develop the necessary communication pieces to pass along to our licensees.

HB 599 Consultant Pharmacists

This is the consultant pharmacist bill and was enrolled and signed into law with an effective date of July 1, 2020. This bill revises requirements and responsibilities of a consultant pharmacist and authorizes the use of collaborative practice agreements. It includes the ordering and evaluating of any laboratory or clinical testing, conducting patient assessments, and implementing, modifying, discontinuing, or administering medicinal drugs pursuant to s. 465.0125.

Ms. Sapp indicated that we will spend some time carefully analyzing this bill to create an implantation plan and on our next rules committee agenda, we will likely start outlining the rules that will need to be amended and adopted.

B. 2020 Legislative Bills Filed for Chapter 456

HB 115 Keep Our Graduates Working Act

Keep Our Graduates Working Act; Prohibits state authority from suspending or revoking person's professional license, certificate, registration, or permit solely on basis of delinquency or default in payment of his or her student loan; repeals provisions to conform provisions to changes made by act.

This bill will require the update of our applications and disciplinary guidelines.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.